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## PHOENIX WOMAN SENTENCED FOR HER ROLE IN SALE OF STOLEN GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

PHOENIX -- Dina Ann Martin, age 35, of Phoenix, was sentenced here today to three years probation by U.S. District Court Judge Neil Vincent Wake for her role in the attempted sale of stolen, sensitive government data communications and navigational equipment.

Martin had been charged with violating Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 3, Accessory After the Fact to the theft of the government hardware. Martin was apprehended by agents of the Department of Homeland Security after offering one of the stolen items, valued at approximately \$7,000, for sale on the internet auction site eBay. The item was recovered just before it was to be shipped to the winning bidder, who was overseas, and Martin's apprehension led DHS agents to the remaining \$75,000 in stolen equipment at the home of her then boyfriend, co-defendant John M. Rainey. Martin and Rainey each entered guilty pleas to the charges in October 2004. Rainey was found hanged to death in his Phoenix residence on November 24, 2004; he was scheduled to be sentenced at a later date.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Protection Service. The prosecution was handled by John J. Tuchi, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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